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TWO SUPERVISORS WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S BEHIND PLAN FOR CLERK

Arnold and Dwight Call for Deferring Action on "Municipal Record"

By a vote of three to two, the Board of Supervisors last night deferred action on second reading of the ordinance providing a secretary for the board, which ordinance in reality is the beginning of an attempt to establish a municipal paper.

Discussion of the ordinance, extending over half an hour, brought out very plainly the fact that there is "something doing" down under the mere authorization of a clerkship. W. R. Farrington, who attended the meeting and addressed the board as a taxpayer, declared that the proposed plan will add a fixed charge to the city's expense without adequate return in efficiency, that the scheme is ultimately to turn the clerk's records into a municipal paper, and that the supervisors are going into the matter without any clear idea as to the expense involved.

Supervisors Arnold and Dwight declined to go on with the passage of the ordinance until after they had looked into its merits further. Incidentally, the spotlight was turned on the "caucus" of several members of the board at which the clerkship matter was framed up. Supervisor Arnold told the board that he hadn't been at the caucus, and that he did not see why another ordinance was necessary in order to give the board power to appoint a clerk. Dwight seconded Arnold's motion to defer action, stating that he wasn't at the caucus either.

Question of Rates.
Supervisor Murray was in the chair, the mayor being kept away by a slight illness, and Kruger and Low were absent. Murray questioned Farrington as to advertising rates in newspapers, and the latter showed quickly that whereas advertising rates of all other classes have increased as the reading population and the size of newspapers increased, the rates for city and county and general "by authority" advertising have remained the same since the days of the monarchy. This was in answer to a question by Murray intimating that the city and county should get a lower rate for its printing.

So far as the ultimate purpose of the ordinance is concerned, Supervisor Murray let the cat out of the bag when he stated from the chair that he would use all his efforts to get the next Legislature to make the municipal record the official organ of the city. The present plan is either to publish the record in the newspapers or to take off their more miscellaneous copies.

Uncertain as to Cost.
The uncertainty both as to the cost of the work and as to just what their clerk is supposed to do, Murray said that he is to record the proceedings of the board and to compile a report of its two years' work for the Legislature.

Although the last board passed an ordinance providing for a clerk and messenger, Deputy City Attorney Merverton gave an off-hand opinion last night that the board ought to pass another ordinance for the clerkship now proposed, as the duties imposed under the former ordinance might not allow the appointment of a clerk with the duties the supervisors now have in mind.

As to the question of whether or not the taxpayers' interests will be served by this additional expense, Mr. Farrington told the board this:

"In the first place I do not think it would add to the efficiency of the government to issue this record, but simply add to the expense, which would in time become a fixed charge. I do not pretend to be a municipal expert, but I do know that such a fixed charge will not add to the efficiency of the municipal government. On a previous occasion the cost of this record for the Legislature was \$400. Now, if this can be done for \$400, I do not see why it should cost \$1200. It seems to me that the board is going into considerable expense, but doesn't know where it is going. It seems to me, in sizing up the matter, the costs of this record have not been taken into proper consideration."

"Well, there won't be any clerkship after the business men's campaign has wiped us out," broke in Murray.

Where is Efficiency?

"That's just the point," said Farrington. "The board is creating a new salary and adding a new employee, and the experience of municipal government teaches, if it teaches anything, that once a new position is created it is very seldom wiped out. It becomes a permanent burden upon the taxpayer, and, gentlemen, we are not building for the immediate present, but for the future, and sound business policy is against adding additional overhead charges to any business unless there is a distinct gain in efficiency. I ought to know something of the publishing business, and I personally fail to see where this board is adding to efficiency in taking up with a plan about which it has no clear idea of cost and no clear idea of what the result in work accomplished is going to be."

It was brought out that the actual printing of the report of two years ago was close to \$400, and this, it was pointed out, will be additional to the \$1200 for compiling the report.

George F. Henshall, who was present, spoke to the board briefly, stating that his name had been mentioned as the probable editor of the publication, and that he had offered, at the first discussion of the matter, to do the work for \$25 per month. He said when it was proposed to add the duties of compiling the report to the Legislature, besides those of keeping a record of running proceedings of

the board, all to be done in five months, he was inclined to think \$100 a month was too small a salary.

Arnold's motion to defer action pending further investigation carried, with McClellan voting with Arnold and Dwight, while Amann and Murray voted against the motion.

'MAN'S RELIGION' TO BE SUBJECT

"A Man's Religion" is the subject chosen by the Rev. Frank Goodspeed for his sermon at the third of the union church meetings to be held at the Bijou theatre next Sunday evening. At a meeting of the Christian Extension Committee held yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A., plans for next Sunday's services were made and it was also decided to make special observance of "Labor Sunday," which falls on September 1.

The original plan of the Christian Extension Committee had been to terminate the union church meetings with the last Sunday in August but on account of the success with which the meetings have met, it was decided at the board meeting yesterday afternoon to continue the services so as to include the first two Sundays in September.

At the meeting were present Paul Super, Rev. A. A. Ebersole, A. E. Larimer, James Wakefield, Rev. E. R. Smith and the Rev. Frank Goodspeed.

HAWAIIAN STOCKS IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, August 6.—Following are the closing quotations for the Hawaiian securities on the stock and bond exchange today:

	Bid	Asked
Haw. C. & S.	44 1/2	44 1/2
Haw. C. & S. 5e ..	103	104
Haw. Sugar Co.	42 1/2	
Honokaa S. Co.	104 1/2	11 1/2
Hutchinson S. P. Co.	21 1/2	
Hon. R. T. & L. Co.	105 1/2	
Kilauea S. Co.	17	
Onomea S. Co.	55 1/2	
Pauahau S. Co.	23 1/2	24 1/2
Union S. Co.	32 1/2	33 1/2
Sales: August 3, 175 Hutchinson, 21.875; 10 Onomea, 55.75; August 5, 375 Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar, 42; 50 Hutchinson, 21.875; 300 Onomea, 55.25; 100 do., 56.125; 100 Pauahau, 23.75.		

WILL SEEK COMMON CARRIER OF DIPHTHERIA

A search for a common carrier of diphtheria on the Island of Kauai probably will be started within the next few days, as the result of a report received by Dr. Pratt from that island this morning. A few more cases of this disease have been found recently, and it is the latest of a string of similar reports that have been coming in for several months.

Just when the authorities think they have the contagion wiped out, several new cases appear, and now Dr. Pratt believes that the cause is a common carrier of the germ. He says the health officials encountered the same difficulty last year, and after a long search finally located it in the throat of a small boy, who had apparently entirely recovered.

THE CASTLE INTERESTS IN KONA

Meetings of the stockholders of the Kona Development and the West Hawaiian Railroad Companies are called for Monday at Theo. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., to consider the issue of \$300,000 bonds to refund existing debts of the company and for other purposes. Part of the security for the bonded indebtedness of the companies consists of land holdings of W. R. Castle, which he is negotiating to sell. Some time ago this paper gave news from Kona that there was a possibility that H. Hackfeld & Co., Ltd., would take over the agencies of the various interests, representatives of the various corporations having been visiting the district. It appeared that the Davies corporation had declined to make desired financial concessions to the two Kona companies.

THE COFFEE MARKET.

NEW YORK, August 6.—Yesterday's coffee decline was checked by heavy buying by Houseman. Today, notwithstanding disappointing cables, Max Mayer was a heavy buyer. He sometimes acts for large foreign interests.

Coffee futures closed barely steady net 4 points to 5 points lower, August, 12.72c; September, 12.82c; October, 12.85c; November 12.92c; December, 12.96c; January 12.97c; February 12.95c; March 13.62c; April, 13.03c; May, 13.50c; June, 13.04c; July 13.02c. Spot, steady; Rio, 14 1/2c; Santos, No. 4, 15 1/2c; Mild, dull; Cordova, 16@18c.

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